



# **Edward George Merrell, b 1854**

of Syracuse, NY; Anthony, KS; Detroit, and Cleveland

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## Edward George MERRELL

### Edward George MERRELL - Source

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Birth: 3 May 1854, Syracuse, Onondaga, New York<sup>1074</sup>,  
place only,<sup>3615,3618,3658</sup>, confirms place,<sup>3702</sup>

Memo: on Maud's Death Certificate

Birth: May 1857, New York<sup>5613</sup>

Death: 2 Aug 1924, Cleveland, Cuyahoga, Ohio<sup>3615</sup>, place  
only,<sup>3618</sup>, date only,<sup>3658,3702</sup>

Memo: Windsor Hospital

Burial: 4 Aug 1924, Lake View Cemetery, Cleveland,  
Ohio<sup>3618,3658,3702</sup>

Memo: Section 19, Lot 121-A

Occupation: retail furniture, up to about 1904<sup>3702</sup>

Occupation: wholesale millinery; E. G. Merrell Co.<sup>141,140</sup>

Father: **George E. MERRELL**<sup>3658</sup>, p 2 - **Father**

Mother: **Clara MITCHELL**<sup>3658</sup>, surname only,<sup>3702</sup>, surname only,<sup>7886</sup>, only source for given  
name - **Mother**



Edward George

- Parents are Geo. E. Merrell and \_\_\_?\_\_\_ Mitchell.<sup>3658</sup>, p 2
- Name of father "unknown"; mother is "unk. Mitchell." Informant: David Williams Mills.<sup>3702</sup>
- I regret that I do not know anything about Edward George Merrell.<sup>5177</sup>, p 3
- Ed Merrell and family returned Saturday night from an all summer visit to their old home at Lafayette, N. Y.<sup>7701</sup>
- "Carroll Hoyt of Anthony, Kansas and E. G. Merrell of the firm of E. G. Merrell furniture Company are in La Fayette."  
Tully Times, April 1902<sup>5612</sup>, p 5
- I've spent a little time looking through some of our materials:  
In a book on Anthony history (1972), I found a list of Anthony residents as of 1885. In it is listed, "Merril, Ed; merchant." This is a different spelling, but I would speculate that the difference occurred in transcription from the original source. This would indicate that Mr. Merrell was here even earlier than you thought.

In the November 29, 1887 issue of the Anthony Republican, there is a box ad which reads:

"Blinds have been pulled down on prices of Curtains at Merrell & Darling's Furniture store, and are now being sold regardless of cost. Call early and get a bargain."

In the January 14, 1888, issue of the same newspaper is the following:

"A day or so ago, Mr. Wonner, of the Arcade Bakery, after procuring two hundred dollars of his son Charles, started for Wichita and having taken a drink from a bottle tendered him by a stranger, was drugged and robbed. When he came to his senses he was in a strange house in Wichita, his watch and every dollar was gone and he was penniless in the city. He ran across E.G. Merrell at the Occidental and told him the story, and that gentleman provided for his immediate wants and brought word home to his son Charles, who forwarded funds necessary for his father. The loss was a severe one."

In the process of looking for something else, I found this large ad in a December 31, 1897 newspaper:

E.G. Merrell & Co.

TWENTY YEARS' EXPERIENCE in the Furniture Market of this country has convinced us that the way to sell goods is first to buy them right and the selling part is easy--but really is it easy?

Ask that Caravan of Buyers who are loading wagons six days in the week in front of our stores what object they have in coming from 30 to 60 miles to buy furniture, they will tell you their neighbors advised them to do so.

Sell Goods Right---Treat People Right---and give them the qualities--they buy--that settles your success.

We are in business to make Friends and Money and are well satisfied with our success in both. When you need anything in our line of...

Furniture, Carpets, Lamps, Bicycles, Picture Frames, Portieres, Window Shades, Children's\_\_\_\_, Pianos, Organs, Carriages, and last of all Undertaking Supplies.

Any or all goods sold by us if not as represented will be made good if returned at once. Call and see us.

E. G. Merrell & Co. 265-267-269 West Main, Anthony, Kansas<sup>7165</sup>

- Our old friend and former townsman, Edward G. Merrell, now living at Detroit, was married Tuesday, November 24, [1914] to Madeleine Ehle Day, of that city. The wedding took place at the residence of Rev. F. Dewey Ehle. After January 1 Mr. and

Mrs. Merrill [sic] will be at home, 281 Lysander Pt. Mr. Merrill has very many friends at Anthony and in Harper county and all of them will wish him much joy and happiness.<sup>7885</sup>

Census: • 1880 Census: Michigan City, La Porte, Indiana. Age 25, b NY. Boarder. Merchant. Parents b NY. Father b England; mother b NY.<sup>139, p 2</sup>

• 1895 Kansas Census: Anthony, Harper, Kansas. Age 37, b IN.<sup>7757</sup>

• 1900 Census: Anthony, Harper, Kansas. Age 43, b May 1857, NY. Retail Furniture Dealer. Father b England; mother b NY. Listed as Edward Morrell.<sup>5613</sup>

• 1910 Census: Detroit, Wayne, Michigan. Age 48, b NY. Wholesale millinery. Parents birthplace unknown.<sup>140</sup>

Research: • 1875 Syracuse Census, First Election District of Fifth Ward (page 100):

Hugh Merrill, age 59, head, b Canada, Carpenter, Syracuse.

Elisa A. Merrill, age 52, wife, b Orleans.

George E. Merrill, age 23, son, b Canada, Millinery clerk, Syracuse.

Emma V. Merrill, age 20, dau, b Canada, Milliner

Millinery coincidence? Birthdate is two years earlier than Edward G. Merrell.<sup>2327</sup>

• Did not find Edward G. Merrell in 1920 Census; 11 Mar 2005; 7 Apr 2007; 17 Dec 2024.

• Father given as James Merrell; mother given as Clara Mitchell.<sup>7886</sup>

Directories: • When I received your letter of April 29th [2006], I checked the Syracuse City Directories 1877-1881 for Edward George Merrell, but found nothing.<sup>5235</sup>

• Detroit City directories:<sup>141, p 1</sup>

1903-4: not listed

1905: Edward G. Merrell h. 852 4th Ave.

1908: Edward G. Merrell, salesman, 87 Commonwealth Ave.

1909: Merrill Edward G., Lister Apartments, 87 Commonwealth Ave.<sup>141, p 3</sup>

1910: Edwd G. sec-treas. E. G. Merrell Co., h 380 Commonwealth Ave.

E. G. Merrell Co: Wm. B. James, Pres., David W. Mills, v-pres., Edward G. Merrell, sec-treas., wholesale millinery, 14-15 Farmer Bldg.

1911-1912: same<sup>141, p 2</sup>



1913: Edwd. G., rms. 20 Alex Ave., Edward G. Merrell Millinery Co.

James, p., Mills, vp, Merrell, s-t.

1914: Edw. G. Merrell, rms. 20 Alex Ave., E. G. Merrell Millinery Co., 35 State St.

1915: Edw. G. Merrell, h 281 Lysander, bus. 35 State St.

1916: Edw. G. Merrell, bkpr. 281 Lysander [note: no E. G. Merrell Co. listed]

1917: no listing for Edw.

Mrs. Maud h 281 Lysander

1918: none of above listed.

Spouse: **Helen Louise HOYT**

Marriage: abt 1880<sup>139,140</sup>, married 30 years,<sup>5239</sup>, p 1; marriage only,<sup>5613</sup>

Memo: married 30 years in 1910 Census

Birth: 21 Jun 1860, Oaks Corners, Ontario, New York<sup>1074</sup>, place only; states "Syracuse",<sup>3618</sup>, p 1; date only,<sup>3659</sup>, p 1; gives "Oaks Corners",<sup>3701</sup>, date only,<sup>7477</sup>, year only

Death: 18 Jun 1912, East Cleveland, Cuyahoga, Ohio<sup>897,3701</sup>

Memo: 13112 Forest Hill Ave.

Death: 18 Jun 1912, Medina, Orleans, New York<sup>3616</sup>, date only,<sup>3659</sup>, p 2

Memo: died suddenly; shipped from Medina, N.Y.

Burial: 21 Jun 1912, Lake View Cemetery, Cleveland, Ohio<sup>3701</sup>

Burial: 1 Aug 1912, Lake View Cemetery, Cleveland, Ohio<sup>3618</sup>, p 1

Memo: Vaulted, 21 Jun 1912; Section 19, Lot 121-A

Father: **Charles Wellington HOYT**<sup>3659</sup>, p 2,<sup>7994</sup> (24 Jun 1832-8 Mar 1904)

Mother: **Elizabeth E. CLARK**<sup>3658</sup>, p 2 (Aug 1834-13 Aug 1904)



**Helen Louise**

• Parents are Charles W. & Betsy Clark Hoyt.<sup>3659</sup>, p 2,<sup>3701</sup>

• Lived in Michigan City, Ind. & Anthony, Kan.<sup>5239</sup>, p 1

• "Lafayette – Mrs. H. Merrill of Michigan City is spending the summer with her father C. W. Hoyt Jr."

Syracuse "Standard", 26 Aug 1885<sup>5612</sup>, p 3

• "Carroll Hoyt and Mr. and Mrs. Merrill of Kansas are visiting C. W. Hoyt Jr."



Syracuse "Standard", 22 Sep 1888<sup>5612</sup>, p 4

- I hereby certify, that I attended deceased from June 18, 1912 to June 18, 1912; that I last saw her alive on June 18, 1912 and that death occurred, on the date stated above, at 8:30 PM.

/s/ Geo. F. Glass, M.D.<sup>3701</sup>

- Informant on Death Certificate is H. A. Fraht? [unclear], address of 13074 Forest Hill Ave., East Cleveland; probably a neighbor.<sup>3701</sup>

- I am surprised to see Helen Hoyt Merrell's birthplace in June of 1860 as they were shown on the 1860 Census in LaFayette, but she was not yet born, only Harriet ae 2.<sup>5177</sup>, p 3

- In the January 17, 1888 issue of the Anthony Republican there is this note:

"In keeping with her well-known cordial hospitality, Mrs. E. G. Merrell entertained a party of friends at her residents last evening. Those attending speak in high terms of the social event."<sup>7165</sup>

Census: • 1870 Census: Orleans PO, Phelps, Ontario, New York. Age 10, b NY.<sup>4303</sup>

- 1875 Census: Lafayette, Onondaga, New York. Age 14, b Onondaga County, NY. Name given as "Ellen."<sup>7900</sup>

- 1880 Census: Michigan City, La Porte, Indiana. Age 18, b NY.<sup>139</sup>

- 1895 Kansas Census: Anthony, Harper, Kansas. Age 34, b NY.<sup>7757</sup>

- 1900 Census: Anthony, Harper, Kansas. Age 39, b Jun 1860, NY. Parents b NY. Married 20 years. Mother of one living child. Listed as Helen L. Morrell.<sup>5613</sup>

- 1910 Census: Detroit, Wayne, Michigan. Age 48, b NY. Mother of one living child. Parents b NY. Listed as Delen.<sup>140</sup>

1 Child...

i. **Maud Mitchell** - Daughter (18 Feb 1881-27 Jan 1937)

Marriage Notes: • Marriage recording did not begin in New York State until about 1883 and then took some time to be implemented, so that rules out one for E. G. M. and Helen.<sup>5235</sup>

Spouse: **Maude Madelaine EHLE**

Marriage: 24 Nov 1914, Detroit, Wayne, Michigan<sup>3615</sup>, marriage only,<sup>3702</sup>, marriage

only,<sup>7885</sup>

Birth: 8 Jul 1878, Bay City, Bay, Michigan<sup>7888</sup>

Death: May 1963, Port Huron, St. Clair, Michigan<sup>7888, p 3</sup>

Burial: Port Huron, St. Clair, Michigan<sup>7888, p 3</sup>

Occupation: saleslady<sup>7887</sup>

Father: **John Nathan EHLE**<sup>7579,7580,7887</sup> (23 Jul 1844-30 Mar 1917)

Mother: **Mary Anna Mae CARLETON**<sup>7579,7887</sup> (1859-29 Aug 1942)

- 2nd child of six.<sup>7889</sup>

- No record of Madeline Ehle or Madeline Ehle Merrell in our burial files.<sup>3658, p 4</sup>

- Married name is MERRELL.<sup>7579</sup>

- Our old friend and former townsman, Edward G. Merrell, now living at Detroit, was married Tuesday, November 24, [1914] to Madeleine Ehle Day, of that city. The wedding took place at the residence of Rev. F. Dewey Ehle. After January 1 Mr. and Mrs. Merrill [sic] will be at home, 281 Lysander Pt. Mr. Merrill has very many friends at Anthony and in Harper county and all of them will wish him much joy and happiness.<sup>7885</sup>

- On the 1926 marriage record to James J. Howland, Madeline age is given as 44 years; therefore b abt 1882.<sup>7887</sup>

- On her application, April 1943, for Social Security, Maude Madelaine gives her birthdate as 8 Jul 1895 in Bay City, Michigan; she gives her name as Maude Madelaine Merrell.<sup>7580</sup>

Census: • 1900 Census: West Bay City, Bay, Michigan. Age 21, b Jul 1878, MI. Parents b Canada. Married 3 years, mother of 2 living children. Enumerated as "Elizabeth."<sup>7901</sup>

No Children

Marriage Notes: • Her name given as Madeline Day, age 36. Both previously married. Officiated by F. Dewey Ehle; witnessed by Mrs. F. Dewey Ehle and Gladys M. Ehle, both of Detroit. [Note: F. Dewey Ehle is her first cousin.]<sup>7886</sup>

## Descendants

**Maud Mitchell MERRELL**<sup>336</sup> - Daughter

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Birth: 18 Feb 1881, Michigan City, LaPorte,  
Indiana<sup>1074,5837</sup>  
Death: 27 Jan 1937, Pasadena, Los Angeles,  
California<sup>1074</sup>  
Burial: Forest Lawn Memorial Park, Glendale, Los  
Angeles, California<sup>1074</sup>  
Father: **Edward George MERRELL** - Source (3 May  
1854-2 Aug 1924)  
Mother: **Helen Louise HOYT** (21 Jun 1860-18 Jun 1912)



Maud Mitchell

- Father is Edward G. Merrell; mother's maiden name: Helen Hoyt.<sup>1074</sup>
- Middle name is Mitchell.<sup>336</sup>
- Clue for the marriage of Maud Mitchell Merrell and her first husband is the Marriage Certificate of David Williams Mills and herself: "and who has been previously married one time, and whose maiden name was Maud M. Merrell."<sup>339</sup>
- Her second marriage.<sup>1772</sup>
- Miss Maud Merrell, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. G. Merrell, was quietly married on Thursday, to David Williams Mills, of Marysville. The ceremony was performed by Rev. William T. Jacquess, at the home of the bride's parents on Commonwealth avenue, only the immediate families being present. Mr. and Mrs. Mills have left for the south, where they will pass the remainder of the winter.<sup>337</sup>
- Her residence at the time of her father's death is Fenway Hall Hotel (4 Aug 1924).<sup>3658, p 2</sup>
- Mrs. David Mills Died Yesterday at Pasadena Home (Santa Cruz Sentinel, 29 Jan 1937)

News has been received from Pasadena announcing the death of Mrs. David W. Mills formerly of this city.

Death was caused by a heart attack and apparently Mrs. Mills had been in good health a few minutes before her passing.

Mr. and Mrs. Mills came to this city in 1925 and were prominent in the community life until 1929, Mr. Mills being connected as president with the Monterey Bay Redwood Company and was succeeded by J. A. Harris.

Mrs. Mills leaves to mourn her death her husband, son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Nelson Mills and their small son.

Mrs. J. A. Harris and Mrs. Frank G. Wilson will leave early this morning for Pasadena to attend the funeral services which will be held at Forest Lawn Memorial Saturday at 2 p. m.<sup>7497</sup>

- MILLS – Mrs. Maud Mills, 692 South Grand Avenue, passed away Jan. 27, 1937. She was the beloved wife of David W. Mills, and mother of Nelson Mills. Funeral services will be held Saturday at 3:30 p. m. at the Wee Kirk o' the Heather, Glendale. Forest Lawn Memorial Park Association, Inc., in charge.<sup>1073</sup>

- Harold remembers very well the funeral of Maud Mills at Forest Lawn in 1937. It was pouring rain. Her death had been sudden and unexpected. She was small of stature, was high strung, and smoked heavily.<sup>1160, p 2</sup>

- My former next door neighbor used to speak of Maude Merrell as they were about the same age and were cousins through the Halls as Charles W. Hoyt's wives were daughters of Ezra Knapp and Mary Hall, the eldest child of General Isaac Hall.<sup>5177, p 1</sup>

Census: • 1895 Kansas Census: Anthony, Harper, Kansas. Age 14, b IN.<sup>7757</sup>

- 1900 Census: Anthony, Harper, Kansas. Age 19, b IN. Parents b NY. Listed as Maud M Merrell.<sup>5613</sup>

- 1910 Census: East Cleveland, Cuyahoga, Ohio. Age 29, b IN. Parents b NY. Second marriage.<sup>1772</sup>

- 1920 Census: Cleveland Heights, Cuyahoga, Ohio. Age 38, b IN. Parents b NY.<sup>1781</sup>

- 1930 Census: San Francisco, San Francisco, California. Age 49, b IN. Parents b NY. Age 23 at 1st marriage.<sup>3619</sup>

Spouse: **John Lyman Clare MULKEY**

Marriage: 3 Jun 1903, Anthony, Harper, Kansas<sup>339, marriage only, 5178, Book D, Page 242, 5189</sup>

Divorce: 2 May 1908, Wayne County, Michigan<sup>7702</sup>

Memo: complainant: wife; grounds: desertion

Birth: 6 Aug 1880, Hutchinson, Reno, Kansas<sup>5486, date only, 5490, place only; states 6</sup>

Oct 1880,6842

Death: 21 Jan 1943, Detroit, Wayne, Michigan<sup>5490,7703</sup>  
Burial: Woodlawn Cemetery, Detroit, Wayne, Michigan<sup>7703</sup>  
Occupation: Salt manufacturer for self; Mulkey Salt Co. (1918)<sup>5486</sup>  
Father: **John Mandelbert MULKEY**<sup>7835</sup> (1853-1933)  
Mother: **Emma Gertrude SNELL** (1859-1937)

• Funeral services for John C. Mulkey, retired secretary of the Mulkey Salt Co., will be held at his home, 4295 W. Buena Vista, at 3:30 p. m. Saturday. Burial will be at Woodlawn Cemetery.

Mr. Mulkey, who has been retired for the last eight years, died Thursday after a long illness. He was born Aug. 6, 1880 at Hutchinson, Kans., and had been a resident of Detroit for 50 years. He became a member of the salt company when his father, J. M. Mulkey, and his uncle, O. W. Mulkey, founded the organization.

He is survived by his wife, Susan Downie Mulkey, and four sons, John, Robert, James and Richard.<sup>7703</sup>

Census: • 1910 Census: Detroit, Wayne, Michigan. Age 29, b KS. Single. Broker, Stocks. Parents b IL. Living with parents.<sup>5489</sup>  
• 1920 Census: Detroit, Wayne, Michigan. Age 36, b KS. Sec. Treas? of Co; Salt Mfg. Parents b IL.<sup>5487</sup>  
• 1930 Census: Detroit, Wayne, Michigan. Age 50, b KS. Realtor, Real Estate. Parents b IL. Age 37 at 1st marriage [sic].<sup>5488</sup>

No Children

Spouse: **David Williams MILLS**  
Marriage: 14 Jan 1909, Detroit, Wayne, Michigan<sup>339,1135</sup>,  
p 62, #210; marriage only  
Birth: 22 Jul 1879, Marysville, St. Clair,  
Michigan<sup>336,5837,6868</sup>, date only  
Death: 27 Aug 1957, Pasadena, Los Angeles,  
California<sup>2020</sup>, p 1; date only,6930, Huntington Memorial  
Hospital  
Burial: 30 Aug 1957, Forest Lawn Memorial Park,  
Glendale, Los Angeles, California<sup>6930,7501</sup>  
Occupation: Secretary-Treasurer, The Mills-Carleton Co.



David Williams

lumber business, 1886 Carter Road, Cleveland<sup>6868</sup>

Education: University of Michigan (Zeta Psi)

Father: **Nelson MILLS** (15 Jan 1823-16 Mar 1904)

Mother: **Mary Jerralds WILLIAMS**<sup>1133, p 3,1135, p 40, #123</sup> (4 Jun 1842-3 May 1891)

- Codicil [to Nelson Mills Will] appoints son David W. Mills as joint executor with Myron W. Mills.<sup>1133, p 6,1135, p 50, #172</sup>

- SUIT INVOLVING OVER \$1,500,000

[excerpts] A suit was begun in the circuit court on Monday afternoon which involves real and personal property amounting to a million and a half dollars. Myron W. Mills and David Mills, executors of the estate of the late Nelson Mills are the complainants, and Mary M. Mills and Hannah E. Mills, administratrixes of the estate of the late Barney Mills, are the defendants. The suit is a friendly one, and is begun for the purpose of winding up the co-partnership of N. & B. Mills.

Judge Law ordered that Myron Mills and David Mills continue the business, sell the property, and close the estate as soon as possible.<sup>7070</sup>

- The marriage of Miss Maud Merrell, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. G. Merrell, to Mr. David Williams Mills, of Marysville, was quietly celebrated yesterday. The ceremony took place at the home of the bride's parents, Commonwealth Avenue, and Rev. William T. Jaquess officiated. Only the immediate families were present. After the ceremony Mr. and Mrs. Mills left for a trip south, where they will pass the remainder of the winter.<sup>338</sup>

- David W. is vice president of the Mills, Gray, Carleton Lumber Company, and makes his home in Cleveland. He was married in 1909 to Miss Maud Merrell, of Detroit, and they have one son, Nelson.<sup>50, p 684</sup>

- The David W. Mills was a typical Great Lakes cargo vessel of the late 19th century. This wooden "steambarge" could carry over one million board feet of lumber. The vessel was originally named Sparta and was launched at Cleveland, Ohio on April 11, 1874. The vessel was renamed in 1910 after the manager of the Port Huron Navigation Company, the firm that owned the ship.

The Mills ran aground on Ford Shoals on August 11, 1919 in dense smog created by forest fires in Canada. Attempts to free the boat failed and it broke apart during a

violent October storm.<sup>6413, p 2</sup>

- Lived in Cleveland, Ohio, Santa Cruz, San Francisco, Los Angeles and Pasadena, Calif.<sup>1</sup>

- Resided at 14186 Euclid Avenue, East Cleveland.<sup>336</sup>

- D. W. Mills, of Northern Ohio Lumber & Timber Co., Cleveland, Ohio, on his recent visit to California stated his company handled principally southern pine and Douglas fir, with small quantities of California sugar and white pine and red cedar siding.

Mr. Mills says the general feeling is towards a better business than last year.<sup>7526, p 2</sup>

- It is a good question why David W. Mills picked up and moved to California? I don't know for sure, but I think I know some reasons why that might be the lumber business was changing...lumber products were becoming more mechanically produced, and that likely meant it became even more of a commodity-priced product. (The high margin days...were likely behind him...in a significantly developed and mechanized market like Cleveland. Plus, going into the 1900s...steel was king.) But in California...it was still highly undeveloped. And the lure of going west where you can lead in an immature market likely had something to do with it as well. He probably had a good payday too...and like all business owners, perhaps seized upon "an exit strategy opportunity."<sup>7493</sup>

- Informant on Edward George Merrell death certificate; 4 Aug 1924; his address given: 1886 Carter Road (address for Northern Ohio Lumber & Timber Co.)<sup>3702</sup>

- Resigned as President of Monterey Bay Lumber Company; about Nov 1928.<sup>7500</sup>

- Mr. Mills, father of the injured young man, formerly was president of the Monterey Bay Lumber company, resigning several months ago.<sup>7503</sup>

- Dear Beth

We arrived here Tuesday afternoon, Bertha having decided she would like to have another look at St. Cloud, something we had decided not to do when we left home. However, we are leaving for Duluth this afternoon and hope to be in Mackinaw Friday night and Leland early Saturday. Expect to leave Leland early next Monday and should be passing through Ogemaw sometime around noon that day and in Port Huron late afternoon.



A fine trip so far.

Love,

Dave<sup>1137</sup>

- MILLS – Mr. David W. Mills, beloved husband of Mrs. Bertha Mills, father of Nelson M. Mills, grandfather of Nelson E., David W. and Donald C. Mills. Service Friday at 1:30 p.m. in the “Wee Kirk O’ the Heather,” directed by Forest Lawn Mortuary. Friends may send flowers to Stanford Convalescent Home, Palo Alto, Calif., or make contributions to the American Heart Assn.<sup>347</sup>

- David W. Mills

Funeral services for David W. Mills, 78, retired lumber executive and father of Nelson M. Mills, president of Pacific Outdoor Advertising Co., will be conducted at 1:30 p.m. today in Forest Lawn’s Wee Kirk o’ the Heather under the direction of Forest Lawn Mortuary. Mr. Mills lived at 615 E California Ave., Pasadena. He died Tuesday at Huntington Hospital, leaving his widow Bertha, his son Nelson, and three grandsons.<sup>4360</sup>

Census: • 1880 Census: Marysville, St. Clair, Michigan. Age 11/12ths, b MI.<sup>1707</sup>

- 1884 Michigan Census: Port Huron Township, St. Clair, Michigan. Age 3, b MI.<sup>1147</sup>

- 1894 Michigan Census: Port Huron Township, St. Clair, Michigan. Age 15, b MI.<sup>1149</sup>

- 1900 Census: Marysville, St. Clair, Michigan. Age 20, b Jul 1879, MI. At school. Father b Canada (Eng); mother b MI.<sup>1753</sup>

- 1900 Census: Ann Arbor, Washtenaw, Michigan. Age 20, b Jul 1879, MI. Student. Father b Canada (Eng); mother b MI.<sup>1756</sup>

- 1910 Census: East Cleveland, Cuyahoga, Ohio. Age 30, b MI. President, lumber co. Father b Canada Eng; mother b MI.<sup>1772</sup>

- 1920 Census: Cleveland Heights, Cuyahoga, Ohio. Age 40, b MI. Corporation official/retail lumber. Father b Nova Scotia; mother b MI.<sup>1781</sup>

- 1930 Census: San Francisco, San Francisco, California. Age 50, b MI. Partner. Occupation Code 97 91: “Retail dealers: other specified dealers.” Father b Nova Scotia; mother b MI.<sup>3619</sup>

- 1940 Census: Pasadena, Los Angeles, California. Age 60, b MI. Widower. 4 years of college. Has lived in same place 5 years.<sup>6795</sup>

- 1950 Census: Pasadena, Los Angeles, California. Age 70, b MI. Married. Residing at 1550 Oakdale Street.<sup>7791</sup>

General: • The Wreck of the David W. Mills [excerpts]

The “David W. Mills” was a typical Great Lakes cargo vessel of the late 19th century. Measuring 202 feet by 34 feet by 13 feet, this wooden “steam barge” could carry over one million board feet of lumber. Built by Thomas Quayle and Sons Shipyard, the vessel was originally named “Sparta” and was launched at Cleveland, Ohio on April 11, 1874. The vessel was renamed in 1910 after the manager of the Port Huron Navigation Company, the firm that owned the ship. Captain Frank J. Peterson bought the “Mills” in 1919.

The “Mills” ran aground on Ford Shoals on August 11, 1919 in dense smog created by forest fires in Canada. Attempts to free the boat failed and it broke apart during a violent October storm.<sup>7064, p 2</sup>

- I thought you might enjoy the knowledge that your family’s history is still actively operating in Cleveland. That’s just a great thing, I think. So I’m sending this note to share that.

NORTHERN OHIO [Lumber & Timber] is the oldest lumber company and sawmill in the State of Ohio, founded in 1864, and has been operating for 156 continuous years in downtown Cleveland. The Company (around 12-15 employees) is a wholesale, commercial lumber and building materials supplier...for Professional Contractors, not a retail lumberyard with walk-in homeowner customers. We’re still a sawmill...and cut custom heavy timber stock on a Mershon Timber Saw and an AM Timber Moulder-Planer, bought new at the time in Saginaw, Michigan — we assume by Nelson Mills — and installed here at NORTHERN OHIO in 1893. (Yes, they still operate on our Millhouse deck...we cut heavy timbers on them for other retail lumberyards and mostly commercial projects. I have attached some pictures of those machines. They were originally steam powered, but were converted to electric power in 1910.) We do other things now too...make heritage wood tabletops, doors, flooring, things like that. I joke that 156-year old companies have clearly learned to adapt. But that is totally accurate.

...with a lot of foresight and smarts, he [Nelson Mills] began assembling collaborative and timber supply partnerships (and shareholders in NORTHERN OHIO LUMBER in 1864 with Caleb Jewett and George Carleton) with multiple, local lumberyards and mills in what was then known in Cleveland as “The Lumber District,” riverfront land on a bend in the Cuyahoga River just upstream from Lake Erie called Scranton Peninsula. NORTHERN OHIO strictly milled and supplied

lumber for other Yards, not the public. That didn't stop him from also opening a local yard too though, N&B Mills. His son, David W. Mills (always signed his name DW Mills), was also a principal of NORTHERN OHIO up until the mid-1920's or 1930's when the company would eventually buy out all of the other Yards in the Lumber District.

We mention Nelson Mills in our history section. You can see it here: <https://noltco.com/about/#history><sup>7492</sup>

Research: • find his will and probate in Los Angeles County.

Directories: • 1914: Resided at 1839 Forest Hill Avenue, East Cleveland. Secretary-Treasurer of the Mills-Carelton Co.

1915: Resided at 13112 Forest Hill Avenue, East Cleveland.<sup>1158, p 2</sup>

1923: Resided at 2218 Chatfield Drive, Cleveland Heights. Secretary, The Northern Ohio Lumber and Timber Co.

1925: same business. Residence: Fenway Hall Hotel.

1926: no listing in Cleveland.<sup>1158</sup>

• 1926: Residence: 406 E. Cliff Drive, Santa Cruz, Calif.

1936: Residence: 692 S. Grand Avenue, Pasadena, Calif.<sup>1159, p 1</sup>

• 1942: Residence: 1340 N Harper Ave, Los Angeles, Calif.<sup>7495</sup>

1 Child...

i. **Nelson Merrell** - **Grandson** (3 Feb 1910-22 Dec 1983)

Marriage Notes: • Mills - Merrell.

The marriage of Miss Maud Merrell, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. G. Merrell, to Mr. David Williams Mills, of Marysville, was quietly celebrated yesterday. The ceremony took place at the home of the bride's parents, Commonwealth avenue, and Rev. William T. Jaquess officiated. Only the immediate families were present. After the ceremony Mr. and Mrs. Mills left for a trip south, where they will pass the remainder of the winter.<sup>338</sup>

• Rev. William T. Jaques is pastor of the Trumbull Ave. Presbyterian Church, h. 90 Avery Ave.<sup>141, p 3</sup>

• Married one year in 1910 Census.<sup>1772</sup>

## Ancestors

**George E. MERRELL**<sup>3658</sup>, p 2 - **Father**

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Birth: New York or England<sup>139</sup>

- Name Not Known.<sup>3702</sup>

- Given name of James.<sup>7886</sup>

Census: • 1860 Census: Possibly the George Merrell, age 50, b England, resident of Lysander, Onondaga County, NY; **wife Elizabeth**.<sup>5614</sup>

Research: • Could not find in 1850, 1860 census; [Ancestry.com](https://www.ancestry.com), 11 Mar 2005.

- Could not find in 1870 Census; [Ancestry.com](https://www.ancestry.com), 19 May 2005.

Spouse: **Clara MITCHELL** - **Mother**

Birth: New York<sup>139</sup>

- I know of no Mitchells either in LaFayette or surroundings. As the family names remained mostly static for generations, I think I would have heard it. But there may have been some in the adjacent towns of Tully or Fabius.<sup>5235</sup>

Research: • Only source for given name of Clara.<sup>7886</sup>

1 Child...

- i. **Edward George** - **Source** (3 May 1854-2 Aug 1924)

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- Of necessity the Death Certificate informant was Donald R. Wright, personal friend of my father's, and future Chief Justice of the California Supreme Court.

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